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For : DEVICE FOR INSPECTING TEST)
OBJECTS AND USE THEREOF)



SUPPLEMENTAL PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to the examination of the above-identified patent application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the specification, claims and abstract as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, after the title and before line 1, insert the following:

---CROSS-REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

The present application is a U.S. National Stage Application of PCT/DE97/02024 filed September 9, 1997 and claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 of German Patent Application No. 197 15 502.2 filed April 14, 1997.

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

1. Field of the Invention---

line 1, change "with the" to ---having an X-ray beam tube with a small field of view in relation to the horizontal extent of the area of the test object to be examined, and a detector with a small field of view in relation to the horizontal extent of the area to be